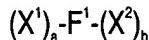


In the claims:

Please amend claims 1, 7-10 and 18 to read as follows:

1. (Amended) A composition of matter comprising the structure



wherein:

F¹ is a vehicle;

X¹ and X² are each independently selected from -(L¹)_c-P¹-(L²)_d-P², -(L¹)_c-P¹-(L²)_d-P²-(L³)_e-P³, and -(L¹)_c-P¹-(L²)_d-P²-(L³)_e-P³-(L⁴)_f-P⁴

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P¹, P², P³, and P⁴ are each independently selected from SEQ ID NOS: 45 and 46;

L¹, L², L³, and L⁴ are each independently linkers that are not naturally occurring amino acid sequences found in SEQ ID NO:42; and

a and b are each independently 0 or 1, provided that at least one of a and b is 1;

c, d, e, and f are each independently 0 or 1, provided that if P¹ is SEQ ID NO: 45 and P² is SEQ ID NO: 46, then d is 1;

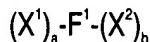
wherein said composition of matter does not comprise SEQ ID NO: 43, and is capable of binding AGP-3.

7. (Amended) The composition of matter of Claim 1, wherein F¹ is a water-soluble polymer or a carbohydrate.

8. (Amended) The composition of matter of Claim 7, wherein the polymer is polyethylene glycol.

9. (Amended) The composition of matter of Claim 7, wherein the carbohydrate is dextran.

10. (Amended) A polypeptide comprising the structure



wherein:

F¹ is a vehicle;

X¹ and X² are each independently selected from -(L¹)_c-P¹-(L²)_d-P², -(L¹)_c-P¹-(L²)_d-P²-(L³)_e-P³, and -(L¹)_c-P¹-(L²)_d-P²-(L³)_e-P³-(L⁴)_f-P⁴

P¹, P², P³, and P⁴ are each independently selected from SEQ ID NOS: 45 and 46;

a7 L¹, L², L³, and L⁴ are each independently linkers that are not naturally occurring amino acid sequences found in SEQ ID NO:42; and

a and b are each independently 0 or 1, provided that at least one of a and b is 1;

c, d, e, and f are each independently 0 or 1, provided that if P¹ is SEQ ID NO: 45 and P² is SEQ ID NO: 46, then d is 1;

wherein said polypeptide does not comprise SEQ ID NO: 43, and is capable of binding AGP-3.

a8 18. (Amended) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a therapeutically effective amount of a protein of Claim 10 in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, adjuvant, solubilizer, stabilizer and/or anti-oxidant.